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TESTIMONY ON SB#/0595- POSITION: FAVORABLE

County Boards of Education and Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners - Vacancy Procedures – Alterations

TO: Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan and members of the Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

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My name is Richard Keith Kaplowitz. I am a resident of District 3, Frederick County. I am submitting this testimony in support of SB#/0595, **County Boards of Education and Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners - Vacancy Procedures - Alterations**

This bill is an adjustment and clarification of procedures on replacement of members of Boards of Education and the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners depending on when that vacancy occurs and any upcoming election date.

It will require each county board of education and the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to hold an election for a vacant elected board member position that occurs 55 days or more before the candidate filing deadline for a certain election; requiring each county board and the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to appoint a replacement for a vacant elected board member position that occurs 54 days or less before a certain candidate filing deadline for a certain election; etc.

I respectfully urge this committee to return a favorable report on SB#/0595.